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SUBJECT: US-ARGENTINA CIVAIR NEGOTIATIONS

1. SUMMARY: AFTER LENGTHY, TIGHTLY CONTESTED SESSIONS, INCLUDING NIGHTS AND SATURDAY, UNDERSTANDING FINALLY REACHED WITH GOA AFTER 30 YEARS OF TRYING. ALL ESSENTIAL U.S. OBJECTIVES WERE ACHIEVED.

2. NEGOTIATING SESSIONS WERE MARKED BY UTMOST CORDIALTY, BUT ATTITUDE OF PELLIGRINI, OBVIOUSLY RESTRICTIVE, FORCED USDEL TO INCESSANTLY HAMMER AWAY AT ISSUES, REACHING OBJECTIVE ONLY AFTER PROLONGED ARGUMENTATION. BY FRIDAY, JULY 15 ESSENTIAL ISSUES COVERED AND TACIT AGREEMENT REACHED ON ALL BUT ROUTES, FREQUENCIES AND CHARTERS. A NEAR MIDNIGHT SESSION ON FRIDAY, AS WELL AS MOST OF SATURDAY BROUGHT PARTIES CLOSE TO FINAL AGREEMENT WHICH WAS NOT ACTUALLY REACHED UNTIL LATE JULY 18. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNED ON TUESDAY, JULY 19.

3. ESSENTIAL POINTS IN SIX YEAR UNDERSTANDING FOLLOWS:

A) AIRLINE OPERATING FLEXIBILITY: A SINGLE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING PERMIT WILL BE ISSUED TO EACH AIRLINE COVERING ALL PERTINENT OPERATIONAL DETAILS.

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B) ROUTES: ALL U.S. ROUTE OBJECTIVES WERE ACHIEVED. ARGENTINA GIVEN PARTIAL ACESS TO RIO AND CARACAS ON EXISTING ROUTES BUT NO ADDITIONAL U.S. TERMINAL POINTS WERE GRANTED.

C) EQUIPMENT AND FREQUENCEIS: FOURTEEN NARROW-BODIED FREQUENCIES PER WEEK FOR EACH U.S. AIRLINE WERE OBTAINED.

ARRANGEMENTS ALSO MADE FOR INTRODUCTION OF WIDE-BODIED AIRCRAFT
WITH THE RIGHT TO CONVERT TO DAILY 747 OR NINE TIMES A WEEK
747SP WITHIN FIVE YEARS.

D) ALL CARGO SERVICES:U.S. GRANTED RIGHT TO INCREASE FROM
ONE SERVICE PER WEEK TO SIX SERVICES PER WEEK.

E) PASSENGER CHARTERS: ARGENTINA AGREED TO MEET BEFORE END OF
YEAR TO NEGOTIATE A CHARTER AGREEMENT AND SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED
COUNTRY OF ORIGIN RULES FOR WORLD SOCCER GAMES IN JUNE, JULY 1978.

F) EXTRA SECTIONS: AGREEMENT REACHED TO ALLOW UNUSED FREQUENCIES
TO ACCUMULATE UP TO ONE YEAR AND TO BE USED AT AIRLINES'
DISCRETION FOR PEAK PERIODS THROUGHOUT LIFE OF AGREEMENT.
IF NOT ACCUMULATION REASONABLE AMOUNT OF EXTRA SECTIONS WILL BE
APPROVED.

G) UNDERSTANDING ALSO INCLUDES PENALTY CLAUSES IN CASE OF UNILATERAL
ACTION.

4. ARGENTINES HAILED AGREEMENT AS HISTORIC EVENT AND WERE
LAVISH IN PRAISE OF ACHIEVEMENT.

5. BROWN WILL CARRY COMPLETE SIGNED TEXTS TO DEPARTMENT.
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